

Town of Davie is Turning 50

The Mayor and the Davie Town Council invite all residents to attend a month long birthday celebration of events. The events will begin on October 19 and end with a Birthday Bash Party at the Bergeron Grounds on November 20. In 1925, Davie was incorporated by the vote of 48 residents who met in the upper room of the Old Davie School. The incorporation of Davie was a brief one. First, taxes were levied by the county which had not been anticipated by the residents. Then, on September 16, 1926, a hurricane devastated Florida leaving Davie with flooded fields, dead cattle, and ruined homes. At the next session of the Legislature, Davie residents petitioned and were granted the dissolution of the municipality. Not until 1961 was the Town officially chartered.

Birthday Celebration Events

October 19

Chamber Breakfast Kickoff Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. Signature Grand

October 30

Davieween Happenings Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Pine Island Park Most Activities are Free For information, call 954-797-1153

November 3, 4 & 5

Kickoff Ribbon Cutting – Thursday, 7:30 p.m. Southeast Circuit Rodeo Finals Thursday, Friday & Saturday, 8:00 p.m. Bergeron Rodeo Grounds - for info, 954-680-3555 Tickets \$20 Adults, \$10 Kids On November 3 only - Birthday Bash Special TBA Free Concert, Car and Airboat Show

November 5

Davie Woman's Club Help place the Town's 2011 Time Capsule (to be opened in 2061) Davie Woman's Club, 6591 Orange Drive Free admission, coffee, cake, live music, and stories

November 6

South Florida Trail Riders Pancake Breakfast & Tack Sale Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Robbins Lodge, 4005 Hiatus Road Free Admission Call Kathy Cox for booth space at 954-593-6478

November 12

Family Bike Ride and Safety Day Saturday, 8:30 a.m. Robbins Lodge, 4005 Hiatus Road Birthday Bash Special, Free Admission with proof of residency

November 12

Town of Davie Police & Fire Expo Saturday, 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Davie Police Station, 1230 S. Nob Hill Road

November 12

Bluegrass Festival & Concert Saturday Flamingo Gardens - for info, 954-473-2955 Birthday Bash Special Price Admission with proof of residency.

November 12 & 13

Happy Paws Pet Expo Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. & Sunday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Bergeron Rodeo Grounds For ticket information, call 561-300-3878

November 19

Pioneer Day Reenactments and Tours Saturday, 10:00 a.m. Old Davie School Experience how residents lived and worked in Davie during the early 1900's Birthday Bash Special, Free Admission

November 19 & 20

Craft & Green Fair Birthday Celebration Saturday & Sunday, 9:00 a.m. Bergeron Rodeo Grounds Country Music, Local Entertainers, Hayrides & More! On Saturday (only) at 1:00 p.m. help the Mayor and Town Council cut the Town's Birthday Cake! Free Admission & Parking



Birthday Bash Poster and Essay Contest

The Town of Davie is inviting your school or nonprofit group to participate in the Town's Birthday Bash Poster and Essay Contest. The purpose of this contest is to engage students in an awareness of the community in which they live and to actively participate in the making of history.

Contest Prompt

The Town of Davie is known for its western theme. Cowboys and rodeos are an integral part of the Town. The town is also known for being a center for educational studies, especially the colleges and universities that are located here in the Educational Center. It has a long history in Broward County. The original name of Davie was "Zona." We are celebrating our 50th birthday, and we would like to hear from you about the future. Please write an essay describing your vision of what Davie will look like 50 years into the future.

All poster entries will be displayed throughout the month of November 2011 in the Town Hall Council Chambers. Winning essay entries will be read on stage during the Birthday Bash Celebration to be held Sunday, November 20, at the Bergeron Rodeo Grounds. Both winning posters and essay entries will be placed in our Town's time capsule that will be buried on the lawn at Town Hall. The capsule will be exhumed in November of the year 2061.

Rosettes will be awarded for the best theme posters and essays in all grade levels from participating schools and groups. All entries submitted will receive a participation ribbon.

For further information, contact Bonnie Stafiej, Special Projects Director, at 954-797-1163 or e-mail, bonnie stafiej@davie-fl.gov